



CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on April 29, 2002.

David H. Brinkman 4/29/02
David H. Brinkman, Reg. No. 40,532

3635
RECEIVED

MAY 08 2002

GROUP 3600

ACC 6/5/02
PATENT A4

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Serial No.: 10/082,378
Confirmation No.: 4571
Filed: February 25, 2002
Examiner: Unknown
Group Art Unit: 3635
Applicants: Niday et al.
Title: **PROTECTIVE COVER FOR REINFORCING BAR**
Our Ref No.: DBZ-221P2

Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

April 29, 2002

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with the duty of candor and good faith imposed by 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and means of complying therewith according to 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 and 1.98, the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are called to the attention of the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the

above-identified patent application. Copies of the cited references are enclosed herewith.

No representation is made that the cited art is the only art or that the cited art represents the best art.

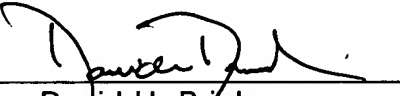
The Examiner is urged to consider all of the cited documents and to make an independent evaluation of the teachings and materiality of each.

No fees are believed to be due. However, if any additional fees are necessary to complete this communication, please apply them to Deposit Account 23-3000.

Respectfully submitted,

WOOD, HERRON & EVANS, L.L.P.

BY


David H. Brinkman
Reg. No. 40,532

2700 Carew Tower
441 Vine Street
Cincinnati, OH 45202
(513) 241-2324 - Office
(513) 421-7269 - Facsimile